

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION  
1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
concerning

**RENEWAL OF WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (NPDES NO. CA0082511)**  
for  
**AAF-MCQUAY, INC., ET AL.**  
**GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION SYSTEM**  
**TULARE COUNTY**

AAF-McQuay, Inc., owns and operates a groundwater remediation system (Facility) near Visalia. The Facility consists of two granular activated carbon treatment systems used to treat groundwater contaminated with VOCs. Treated groundwater is discharged to Mill Creek Ditch at two discharge points, and to several agricultural fields. The discharges are regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. R5-2005-0059, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. CA0082511. The Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) will consider adoption of WDRs renewing the NPDES permit. The proposed WDRs carry over the technology, water quality, and performance-based limits from Order No. R5-2005-0059.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting which is scheduled for:

DATE: 26/27/28 May 2010  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Regional Water Quality Control Board  
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200  
Rancho Cordova, CA

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- AAF-McQuay, Inc.

Designated parties but not interested persons will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

Interested persons may not cross examine witnesses, and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing

to the Board no later than **5 April 2010**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The tentative Waste Discharge Requirements were issued on **26 February 2010**. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than by **5 p.m.** on **5 April 2010**. Written materials submitted after **5 p.m.** on the above date will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Chair. A party requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that the late submission would not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Board.

Anyone having questions on the tentative Waste Discharge Requirements should contact Aide Ortiz at (559) 445-6083. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/tentative\\_orders/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/). Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 1685 "E" Street, Fresno, California 93706 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The final meeting agenda will be available at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_info/agendas/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/agendas/) at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the tentative Waste Discharge Requirements.

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_laws/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/). Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
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The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

*Original signed by*

**CLAY RODGERS**, Assistant Executive Officer

**26 February 2010**